QUEEN ANNE'S SCHOOLS LEAD

County High School Students Rank First in State-Wide Tests

For several years it has been the custom for the State Department of Education to give tests in the elementry schools in such subjects as reading, arithmetic, geography and history. When the last test in reading was given Queen Anne's county ranked first in tests given in October and again in April. This test included vocabulary, meaning of words, ability to read quickly and how well the meaning is understood.

Last year it was decided to give a test in English in all the classes of all the high schools of Maryland. It was divided into four parts: first capitalization, second punctuation: third grammar, forth sentence structure. It is very interesting to note that Queen Anne's county has again ranked first this time in the high school organization 80 per cent of the pupils were above the standard as required by the test, in punctuation 76.7 per cent were above the standard with Caroline county next with an average of 67.6 per cent: in grammar 66 per cent of again with Carline second with 59.7 the pupils were above the standard per cent in sentence Queen Anne's came to third place with the number of pupils above standard 47.8 pecent with Baltimore county having 50.7 and Caroline 52.6 per cent.

The score shows a very wide range in the per cent of pupils going above standard which causes the rang of the county to stand out more prominently, for example in the tests in Capitilization Queen Anne's number of pupils fundamentals of English. In capitalization above standard was 80.6 per cent, while in St. Mary's the number of pupils above standard 47.8 per cent, in punctuation Queen Anne's had 76.7 per cent above while St. Mary's had 36 per cent above. In grammar Queen Anne's had 66 per cent above while Cecil had 28.9 per cent above. In sentence structure Queen Anne's had 47.8 per cent (Caroline having 52. per cent being the highest) while St. Mary's had 24 2 per cent above

The evidence, while showing a wide range in these tests, brings out the effect that the consistent teaching of the fundamentals of grammar in the high schools of the county has produced practical results with the other counties of the state.

The way in which the standard of a test is secured means the average score of thousands of children who took the test in various parts of the county in different types of schools ranging from large senior high schools to the smallest rural high school. For Queen Anne's county to be equal to other places it would only have to show 50 per cent of its pupils above the standard In three parts of the tests Queen Anne's ranks very high while in the fourth part it is practically equal to students in the other parts of the state and county.

Shore Awakening

That the Eastern Shore of Maryland is awakening to the needs, as well as to the advantage of reforestation of its unproductive land, is evidenced by the increasing interest of land owners of this section in the efforts of the State Department of Forestry, in cooperation with the Maryland University extension service, to foster forest plantings throughout the State

This was the opinion expressed by members of the State Forestry Department and the university extension service. who Tuesday completed a Tri-county forestry tour of Caroline, Talbot and Dorchester counties to observe the extent and progress of plantings in these sections to which the loblolly pine is especially adapted.

A summary of facts demonstrated on this tour of plantations shows according to the officials, that loblolly pine will makea good growth on abandoned sandy soil that nursery grown stock (procurable from State Forestry Department at $2.50 per 1,000) will give better results than wild stock but that spring planting holds less danger of loss than fall planting, and that at a nominal cost, waste and unproductive tracts may be reclaimed and yield rich returns as well as help reforest the land, which has too long and two severly suffered from the felling ax and the devasting fire.

625 Turkeys on Farm

Mrs. E. D. Prince, residing with her father Mr. Luther Leager, near Bridgetown, is one of the largest producers of pure bred turkeys in that section of Queen Anne's county. She now has 625 turkeys about ready for market, some weighing as high as 22 pounds, The first shipment will probably be made next week to northern when she will realize 60 cents per pound for her prize birds. The stock is Purebred Bronze, so much sought after both for breeding purposes and table use, To hatch this large amount of stock incubators were used, and 18 turkey hens were necessary to successfully rear the young.

The turkeys are carefully guarded every day and night, being penned in a five acre tract within a few yards from the house. To feed the birds at this season of the year 600 pounds of butter milk is consumed every three days, besides large quantities of corn, wheat and oats, Many people from adjoining counties and Delawere came to see the large flock last Sunday, to secure breeders and get an idea how to raise turkeys successfully during the summer months.

DOINGS OF THE WEEK

Local and Other Items of Interest for Our Readers.

Hunting notices for sale at this office

For Sale cheap—No. 10 Pearl coal stove in perfect condition Apply to M. W. Aker,

Hickory Ridge, farm, adjoining Queenstown, for rent for 1930 Apply to James F. Boyles.

For sale cheap—Automobile curtains repaired and uncalled for as I have discontinued repairing curtains. John P. Aker.

Wanted—Motor boat between 25 and 32 feet. Give complete description and lowest cash price. K. Hartig, 3411 Parkside Drive Baltimore, Md.

The ladies of Perry's Corner M. E. Church, will hold an oyster supper in the storeroom adjoining the store of Mrs. Lillian Embert, Saturday Oetober 12. Come and bring your friends.

Jim Quimby thinks with the arrests of two bootleggers near Roberts that the crop is about gathered and that the thirsty ones will have to look to Delaware for strong beverages.

Millington is playing in hard luck. After several expensive fires which swept the town, a Kent Islander made night sleep anything but pleasant. The last curse is auto bandits selling stolen cars.

Forty Hours devotions will open at the 8.30 o'clock, Mass Sunday morning, October 13, at Mothers of Sorrows, Catholic Church Centreville. Mass at St. Peter's Church near town same morning at 10 o'clock.

The ladies of Queenstown M. E. Church will hold their bake in the storeroom adjoining Mrs. Lillian Embert, Saturday October 12. Cakes, pies, biscuits, candy and chickens on sale. Good playce to get your Sunday dinner.

Judge Henry Bowen, the early tomato king of Church Hill, has rivals in Fred Thomas of Stevensville who has sold $250 worth of early tomatoes from 385 plants Jimme Goodhand has sold $658 worth of canning tomatoes from four acres and still picking What's the matter with the Fifth district have our growers gone asleep on the job?

John T. Booker, the 80 year old champion violin player of Queen Anne's Kent and Cecil counties celebrated his 80th birthday last Sunday at his home in Barcly. A very delightful and enjoyable dinner was served at 3:00 p. m. A very huge birthday cake with 80 candles graced the table a menu consisting of meats, vegetables, salads, pickles, jellies biscuits, and rolls were served.

A report recently issued by the U. S. Department of Agriculture states that during 1928, "horses continved to decrease in number and are at the lowest point in over forty years. The number on January 1. 1929, was 14,029,000 head compared with 14,540,000 head a year earlier. Reports on colts born during 1928 indicate that the number of horses will continue to decline."

John J. Hallett wearing an oxford gray suit, and a light gray felt hat, left his home, 1116 Abbey Place, N. E. Washington, D. C. and has not been seen since July 16th. At the same address his mother lies ill, hoping for the return of her boy His return the doctors say means so much to her John who is just 16, is five feet, five inches tall has light eyes light brown hair, has fair skin, a bit tanned. A wide search is being made in effort to comfort the sick mother. Have you seen him?

Over in Worcester county they are making jail immates earn their board by using pick and shovel on the public road. The president of the county commissioners sees it thusly: It is not much of a crime determent to put a bootlegger who is peddling liquor in order to avoid work in a steam heated jail with shower baths, clean, warm blankets: put a banjo or guitar in his hand and say; Now you are being punished. However, if it gets abroad that he will have to swing a bush-axe, grub hoe, or shovel, ten hours a day, during the winter, we think it will discourage some of the liquor peddling."

The autumn is the most delightful season of the year. A spirit of romance prevades it, nature puts on her coat of many colors and most of us ordinary mortals if we will confess it, feel a quickening of the pulse when the leaves begin to fall and darkness comes before supper. One has but to recall the days of boyhood for an explanation of this fall romanticism. Ask any boy his views and his face will light up with pleasure as he dreams of the Saturday holidays when he can hunt nuts and thrill at the sight of the end runs and the smashing line plays on the football field.

The damage suit brought by Mrs. Mabel S. Baker of Baltimore, against the Board of Town Commissioners of Chestertown for $25,000 damages for the death of her daughter Miss Mae Appler, of that city, resulting from an automobile accident which occurred on the streets of Chestertown on July 20, 1928 was brought to a sudden termination in the Cecil County court case from the jury after all evidence was submitted. The court ruled that no evidence was produced at the trial showing contributory negligence on the part of the Board of town Commissioners, and it therefore could not be held liable for death of the girl.

HAPPENINGS IN PINEY NECK

Items from Grasonville, Bryantown and Perry's Corner

Wonders will never cease. Baltimore passed 24 days without an auto death.

Billy Johnson of Baltimore, spent the weekend with friends and relatives in Grasonville.

Miss Aubrey King of Baltimore spent the weekend with her sisters Misses Evelyn and Jeannette King.

Mrs. Helen King has returned home after a pleasant visit with friends and relatives in Baltimore.

Fires for several mornings and nights have been just the things to take the chill out of the home and keep out colds.

Mr. and Mrs. James Grat and daughter, Miss Eleanor, of Baltimore, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Smith

Uncle Billy Walters tells us that round shouldered people as a rule didn't get that way from carrying other people's burdens.

Miss Minnie Porter of Baltimore, has returned home after spending the weekend with her aunt, Mrs. Mollie Edenfield.

People who are longing for publicity, can always get it by taking hold to do useful work for their home towns, says Walter Jewell.

To push a community ahead takes something more than sitting around in stuffed chairs and pointing out its faults, says Ben Miller

Ed. Thompson notice that the nights are getting longer again, but we seem to have just the same trouble getting our eight hours sleep.

Mr. and Mrs Joseph J. Hummel have closed their summer home at Jackson's Heights to open their winter home in Catsonville. They wish their many friends adieu till we meet again.

Some folks who forget all about their home stores when they have things to buy, can remember them perfectly well when they want to sell tickets to some entertainment says Little Willie Collier.

Mrs. Georgia Collier patch of cotton is attracting the attention of passersby. Mrs. Collier has for many years grown a small patch of cotton just for the novelty and to show farmers that cotton can be grown in Maryland.

Alley Horney met with a peculiar and painful accident while returning from work Wednesday afternoon. While walking along the road he tripped and stuck a sharp stick in his side cutting a big gash. He was rushed to the office of Dr. Samuel J. Price who reduced the fracture, but Alley is still suffering much pain.

The many friends of Miss Anna Marie Haupke of Baltimore, who has spent many vacations with her uncle, Joseph Hummel, at Jackson's Heights, extends best wishes to her intended husband, George E. Cook, who will be married in Baltimore next Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock. After a honeymoon trip South for four weeks they will be at home in Baltimore.

Those Glenside, Pa., fishermen paid another visit with B Oscar Smith for the weekend. Among them were coal dealer, copper baron, dentist and last must not least a printer. They caught several nice rock fish and feasted on Bugsby's blue points. Among the party were T. Herbert Smith, Dr. Roland Wessels, H. E. Granzon and F. Howard Fritz (the first night for 29 years that he missed kissing his wife good night). Oscar want to know who has seen Elmer?

Most of us belong to certain organizations. These associations are all useful and helpful. They promote progress in Grasonville especially and supply certain functions of life which we need. So whenever we do anything to promote the success of these organizations we do something for our home community, says Oscar Smith. When you attend itsmeetings, you encourage its officers to keep on with enterprising plans for advancement. When you assist in any committee on entertainment, you make that organization more attractive and add to the service it can give. You may think these little services do not count much. But if it were not for a countless number of them being performed, life in our community would be flat and dull this winter.

Today, if this is an average 24 hours, several score people will be killed and thousands injured in automobile accidents. It happened yesterday, and it will happen again tomorrow, so says Amos South.

Somebody turned without giving a signal; somebody was driving too fast: somebody didn't stop at a school district or a through boulevard: somebody insisted too much on right-of-way or what he conceived to be his privilege: some body lost his head in a crisis. The result: Casualties and waste, in lives, and property, that knowledge, caution and fairness toward others would have prevented. It should be a reasonably simple think to observe traffic laws, to keep a machine under control, to learn the written and unwritten rules of the road, and to keep one's eyes open for the mistakes of others as well as one's own. Yet millions of motorists fail to do so. It should be ramembered that every accident is caused because someone was reckless, incompetent, careless or ignorant. And in this day of fast cars and congested traffic, the poor driver is an amenace to the life and property of every citizen.

PERSONAL CHRONICLES

Concise Items of Friends, Relatives and Acquaintances

Mrs Joe Earle of Chase. was the guest of Mr. August Scheldberg for the weekend.

Mrs. Mary Booker is spending the last of the week with friends and relatives in Baltimore.

The dance Thursday night was well attended and the young folks really had a pleasant time.

Mrs. Edwin Canterbury of Towson spent the weekend with her pareuts, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Cockey

Uncle Ned Hammond thinks the frost Thursday night hurt tomatoes and lima beans and sweet potatoes..

Mrs. Ezekial Smith of Baltimore has returned home after spending several days with her daughter, Mrs. Alvin Bailey.

Mr. Upsbur Batte of Bristol, Miss., have returned home after a short visit with his cousin, Mrs. Charles Schellberg.

Mr. Charles Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Jerald Bunn of Baltimore, spent the weekend with Mr Peter Bunn.

Miss Helen Willis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Willis of near town, who was operated on for the removal of her tonsils at the Easton Hospital, is resting easy and is expected home next week.

Miss Lillian Montague of Washing, D. C., is spending the week with Dr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Price Miss Montague is looking after Mrs. Price and Mrs. Lelia Jarvis who are both housed with a bad cold and confined to their bed.

Walsey Farm, the estate owned by Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Gale, near Queenstown, was the scene of much festive gayety Wednesday evening, when Flowers Makers Union 4-11-44 and some guests were entertained in elaborate fashion.

The Union members were those who made the flowers used by the decorating committee for the Junior Cotillion, and Wednesday night party decorations carried out the thought that bonded them together. Most realistic and artistic groupings of roses and asparagus ferns met the eye in the various rooms and the dinning room was transformed into a veritable bower with celery and electrolire festooned with pastel shades and the table made most interesting and beautiful with clever favors-paper bonbons, unique place cards all most colorful and amusing.

Hearts were played during the evening and latter therepast fully lived up to traditions of the full and plenty Southern hospitality.

Tomato Season nears end

The tomato season will practically come to a close this week, when contracts made by most of the large city packing houses with the growers will end. Several of the canneries in the county, however, will continue packing until frost puts a stop to picking.

According to estimates made by many of the leading growers in the county, the total yield has been one of the largest on record, notwithstanding the excessively dry weather during most of the growing season.

Many of the growers will get an average yield of from eight to 10 tons per acre, which is regarded almost as a record breaker, considering weather conditions. One soup company, which is perhaps the largest buyer on the open market, has purchased at its five shipping points during the season 300,000 baskets at prices ranging from 25 to 50 cents a basket, while the contract price was fixed at 25cents a basket, though a Baltimore firm raised its price to 27 and one-half cents late in the season.

The peak of the shipping season was reached during the past week, when it was a difficult matter for local buyers to keep sufficient boats on hand to take care of the thousands of baskets brought to the wharves for shipment.

While at the present time it is difficult to give an exact estimate of the value of the crop to the growers of the county, a conservative estimate places the total at close to $500,000.

Road Work Progressing

Construction of the remaining links of the State Road system was progressing rapidly this week with efforts being made to complete the most of the sections in the western parts of the county this fall.

Due to the necessity of the road from Stevensville to the proposed ferry terminal being completed before the permit of the Claibore Annapolis Fery line expires, it was reported work on that section immediately. The Ferry Company's contract expires in February but if the State is unable to complete the road by that time the time limit would be extended automatically.

Turkey Tour

Thursday, October 17, has been set as the date for the annual Turkey Tour in Kent. On this date seven farms, on which turkeys are raised, will be visited and a half hour spent at each farm. The program calls for a few words from the owner of the birds telling the methods used in producing the flock. It was announced yesterday that if on the date set for the tour bad weather were to occur that the event would be held the following day. Announcement was also made that plans for a banquet of turkey growers was planned for a later date.

TO SELECT TOMATO SEED

Over 6,000 pounds to be Distributed to Growers

More than 6,000 pounds of choice tomato seeds have been saved by the Tri-State Packers' Association for distribution to their member canners and growers in Maryland, New Jersey and Delaware. The project was conducted under supervision and advice of L. M. Goodwin, extension economist, and H. A. Hunter, canning crops pathologist, both of the University of Maryland Extension Service. The seeds are sufficient to plant the entire tomato acreage grown in Maryland for canning and is nearly sufficient to supply the usual needs of the Tri-State membership

Care has been taken to get the best product. Two varieties were used. Those have proved to be best adapted to the territory by extensive tomato variety tests extending over four years previous to 1929. The tests were conducted by the experimental stations of the three States. The seed fields were planted from true type seed of known origin, and the fields were examined in detail later to eliminate all undersirable individuals.

The stock seed to be used for the propagation of the 1930 seed acreage was taken from individually selected hills of outstanding merit. Hill-to-row progeny tests also are being conducted by the University of Maryland with a view to greater future improvement in the seed strain. The objects of the project are to standardize the varieties and to propagate varieties that will give the largest yields of quality raw stock

Wild Ducks Have Appeared

Those who place creduce in the movement of wild life as fortelly weather conditions in advance, will interpret the reported flight of wild fowl from the north to indicate an abnormally early Winter The Chesapeake Bay section records the arrival a day or two ago of the first flock from the breeding grounds in the Canadian country While there is no schedule time for the return of the fowl to their Winter feeding grounds, they rarely reach our waters this early in the Autumn. Old river men, who decry the more modern and scientific methods of forecasting the weather and read the actions of wild creatures, see in the early return of the wild ducks a full-fledged Winter by early November.

Of course the majority of people do not accept the ancient belief that feathered and furredanimals which live in the woods have any value as weather prophets, but rather that they too bit or miss their guess just as do the patrons of pools at horse races.

Buys B. S. Ford

Capt. George Curlett, formerly of Grasonville, has purchased the steamer B. S. Ford, according to an announcement last week. The steamer is to be completely overhauled and new Disel engine installed to replace the present steam plant before returning to service on the bay.

The B. S. is well known in Queen Anne's county, having been built half a century ago for the Chester River Steamboat Company. Later the boat passed to the ownership of the Maryland Delaware and Virginia Railroad Company when the firm absorbed the Chester River Line.

During the past few years the B. S. during the summer season, has been used only occasionly as an extra steamer some of the other steamers were disabled. Capt. Curlett will have the old steamer completely reconditioned before returning to service, and the boat will be as good as new.

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New Bulletin On Forestry

Notwithstanding the fact that extensive forested areas in Maryland have been denuded as the result of greedy logging, selective cutting is, with the exception of fire prevention, the greatest need of Maryland's forests today asserts F. B. Trenk, Extension Forester of the University of Maryland in an Extension Service bulletin which has just been issued under the title "Profitable Management of the Young Forest."

In this bulletin, Mr. Trenk describes the types of woodlands that can profitably be improved and gives definite instructions for handling each class of forest. Particular attention is given to the neglected cut-over woodland, which constitutes such a large percentage of the forest area of the State.

The removal of "wolf" trees which were left after logging, and thinning of young, over-crowded thickets, so that the trees can have an opportunity to grow into profitable timber, are emphsized and methods for carrying out the work are described.

The object of thinning, says Mr. Trenk, is to leave free growing room for the tops of the tallest trees, yet the crowns of these trees must be sufficiently close to each other not to permit big gaps through which sunshine may reach the ground and stimulate the growth of shrubs and weed trees.

It is advised that thinning be done after the material to be removed is sufficiently large to have some value for at least can be used for fuel wood.

This bulletin may be obtained free of charge from the University of Maryland Extension Service at College Park.

Greenabaum Brothers, Inc, a Seaford canning firm, was fined $200 in Federal Court, in Wilmington Del. on Wednesday when the legal representative of the concern entered a plea of guilty to charges of violation of the National Pure Food Act. The defendants were charged with using artificial coloring for canned tomatoes on 21 counts without declaring the use on the labels.

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The undersigned, intending to discontinue farming will sell at public sale on the farm where he now resides, near Queenstown, in the Fifth Election District of Queen Anne's county, Maryland, near Queenstown, on the right side of the public road leading from Queenstown to Grasonville, on

Wednesday, November 27, 1929,

commencing at 10 o'clock, a. m., sharp, the following valuable personal property, to wit:

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1 Bay horse 7 years old
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1 Bay colt 1 year old
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1 Gurnsey Bull, entitled to be registered
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1 Buck

FARMING IMPLEMENTS

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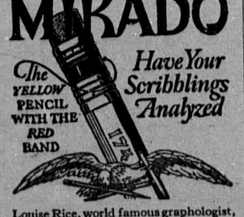
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